



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE Band of Mid-America

**CONCERT BAND** programs are drawn from established masterworks of the concert repertoire as well as works of notable contemporary composers. The Concert Band has performed under the baton of Dr. Frederick Fennell, founder of the Eastman Wind Ensemble, and with composers Robert Jager and Claude Smith. The band has also shared the stage with Bob Hope, Dr. William Warfield, Ron Hawking, Anacani of the Lawrence Welk Show, and local television celebrity, Julius Hunter. Throughout the years, the Concert Band has performed current popular styles, jazz, marches, and patriotic music for millions of listeners.



*Captain A. Philip Wade  
Commander and Conductor*

Captain A. Philip Wade, a native of Watkins Glen, NY, joined the United States Air Force in June, 1983 following three years as director of Choral Activities at Western Illinois University and six years teaching choral music in Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado.

Captain Wade gained the distinction of being the only USAF Band Officer ever selected as Officer Trained Wing Commander. Furthermore, he was named a Distinguished Graduate of OTS and received the Dick Broder Award for leadership and integrity.

Conducting more than 820 programs during the past six years, his concert highlights include command performances in the White House for Presidents Bush and Clinton, an historic 24-city tour replicating the Glenn Miller AAF Orchestra culminating at a Carnegie Hall appearance at a Fourth of July extravaganza on the Esplanade in Boston before 500,000 people, the singing Sergeants 50th Anniversary concert in DARF Conclusions Hall, the dedication of the Korean War Memorial, and many more.

Captain Wade and his wife, Shelley, reside in O'Fallon, Illinois with four more children.



**CONCERT IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 7PM**  
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